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THE wise man finds fault neither with himself nor with any one else.

ENTER—Right.
Exit—Wrong.

THE good is all that has life; the evil, all that lives not.

OH! 'Tis joy to wake up in the morning!
To work, to love, and the world;
To rise with the bright sun at dawning,
And see the earth's tent-flaps unfurled!

DOING is good, but *being* is better.

PERFECTION in every part insures a complete whole.

THE poorest man in the world is the one who has most of himself.

SET free from fear—from
anger and desire,
On wings of air, man rises—
higher and higher;
Above the starry heights—far,
far from earth's dull
sod,
He finds the path that leads
to Heaven and God.

THE amateur carpenter builds for himself; the successful architect is kept busy building for others.

YOU sit still and look pleasant while the photographer takes your picture —why not be just as calm and agreeable while sitting to the world.

THE idea of the effect causes the will—sometimes unconsciously—to procure the means, and thereby the effect itself.

CHARACTER is coined in the mint of thought.

THE Monster Fear derives his Power from our Thought.

WORK with enthusiasm,
Wait with patience:
Wonder at results!

WHO gives what is good will get what is better.

THE very nature of knowledge assumes that I am not alone.

THE scientific thinker is a careful discriminator. He is a good judge of values.

NOTHING feared can equal fear.

AFFIRMATION. Spirit is omnipotent. I am spirit, therefore, I can do more than I have ever believed.

I ASKED: What sacrifice will the true friend make for the sake of friendship?"

One answered:

"The best test will be a willingness to lend. I shall consider him my friend who offers money when I am in need."

Another said:

"Whoever takes me into his circle of friends thus proves his friendship."

A third gave this:

"I most prize him who in my absence pleads my cause though others blame."

But I say:

"The True Friend is all these and—more."

WHAT we notice in the world is the basis of our knowledge, and is of prime importance.

CONSCIOUSNESS is the man in another form.

IS the note rhythmic? Then, sound it in your life.

UNLESS the thought will bear realization, do not think it.

THINK of no evil, and no evil will think of you.

STRONG and frequent impressions make a path through the brain, and the oftener the impression is repeated, the deeper the path will be.

If malicious thoughts are indulged in often enough to make a deep path, what is more natural than to expect ugly words and back-biting, on the slightest nervous impulse?

UNLESS you have succeeded in interpreting everything in its best terms you have missed the chief opportunity of life.

EXPERIENCE is the everlasting proof of the value of ideals.

YOURS is a vast and glorious heritage! Time has stored much away for you —More precious gems than even Golconda's mines afford! All yours—if you will but receive.

To-day is rich, and all tomorrows will be richer, if you but take, and liberally, of these most wondrous treasures!

FROM the invisible ultra-red rays of the sun comes the most heat, and from the invisible mind of man emerge his greatest achievements.

WOULD there be anything to see, were there no eyes to see it?

THE *greatest* of *great* acts may be only short-lived, but the *smallest* of *kind* acts is sure to be immortal.

LIFE is so largely a matter of little things!

MONEY is by no means the measure of happiness.

MORTALS—Hear Ye! Hear Ye! This message from above:

"Whoever would lovèd be, he first must love."

FIVE Fragrant Forget-me-nots:
God is omnipresent.
Spirit is omnipotent.
Truth is unchangeable.
Love is eternal.
God, All in All.

FROM Materiality
Through Mentality,
to Spirituality.

THE way is often through clouds and darkness, but no one can go astray who keeps his eyes on the light of truth which is always shining on the path.

EARNEST apprenticeship means honest skill.

FEAR is infantile and hate is childish, and both are immature.

BECKONING and luring us to the chase, Pleasure keeps always just a little ahead, and so can never be captured.

THE man of least significance is one with the greatest and the best.

SPECIFIC thought has served its purpose only when it has led us to Absolute Thought.

ABOVE the disasters and discrepancies of life is the outline of a Face radiant with love—serene in the knowledge that, though it may not now so appear, all is eternally right.

DO not beat on the walls of your prison-like environment, but with the key of thought open the door and walk out to freedom.

OUGHT implies can—Desire implies fulfillment.

DEFINITE purpose is the seed of success; attainment is the flower.

CERTAINLY. Whatever we perceive exists, but in what sense?

NOTHING acts but the mind. Our thought is our action.

INDIVIDUALIZATION is negation.

THE great grow greater
on the battle-ground;
They gain new strength
from enemies hovering
round:
Even from defeat to farthest
heights they soar—
Leaders in brave men's
hearts, forevermore!

EVEN the dimmest conception of your actuality is a shining proof of your potentiality.

HATE eats, and eats, and eats its way into the heart.

THOUGHT is always expressed but not always in words. You may be saying one thing while I know that you are thinking another.

NEVER regretting;
Often forgetting;
Upward aspiring;
All good desiring;
This is my symphony.

WHAT we desire—we pray for,
What we pray for—we get.

SINCE we are sure to get what we want, we should want what is high and noble.

THINK only of the beautiful, and what is ugly and disagreeable will drop away from your life.

INTENSITY connects with the whole scheme of values in the universe.

ONLY by climbing can we reach the mountain top.

WOULD you develop your ability? Think.

Would you widen your influence? Think.

Would you magnify your joys? Think.

Would you increase your usefulness? Think.

Would you enlarge your world? Think.

Would you sweeten your life? Think.

Would you double your diligence? Think.

Would you uplift your nature? Think.

Would you strengthen your purpose? Think.

Would you raise your ideals? Think.

THE snakes on Medusa's head were not more terrible than the thoughts in some heads of the present day.

THE goal of all minds—
The Palace of Goodness.

CREATION sang
With one glad voice;
All nature rang;
The sun rejoiced:

The world to light,
Again was born—
And angels marvelled
At the dawn!

TO what are you sensitive? What are your wishes? What do you believe? Out of aspiration and faith arise all of the things worth while.

WE love beauty—We seek reality.

EITHER to use or to understand the things about us implies the possession of a matchless power.

DON'T wait for ability, but go ahead and do the work—You will never be able to do it until you have done it.

DON'T find fault with the work, but do it better.

BE careful! What is done will stand!

IF you could have one wish granted, perhaps you would choose wealth, or health, or beauty; or maybe your choice might rest on fame or power. Let me tell you what will include them all and more —The Truth.

WHAT one thinks is
what one is,
Be it high or low—
History, science, and all else,
Declare this so.

WHAT do you see in life? What do you make out of it? Study the world and it will be a revelation to you.

BECAUSE each is fundamentally different the work of each must be different.

"JOY and peace—the angel's wares;"
All through the world these words they cry:
"Joy and peace to the earth we bring;
Naught is the price—to all we sing.
Joy and peace, who'll buy?
Who'll buy?"

"Joy and peace—the angel's wares;"
One who was weary heard the cry;
One who was ill, with no friend near,
Heard the far-off message clear—
"Joy and peace, who'll buy?
Who'll buy?"

"Joy and peace—the angel's wares,"
Guardian spirits ever nigh,
All are under His watchful care;
God's great love is everywhere;
"Joy and peace is free.
Who'll buy?"

"Joy and peace—the angel's wares."
Was that a smothered, mournful sigh?
"Love" is the answer—"God is might;
His love shines through the darkest night:
Joy and peace is yours,—
Who'll buy?"

REGRET eats into the best opportunities as a moth, into a garment.

GENERAL principles are worked out from special cases.

FROM temptations turn away:
The sweetest milk to-day—
To-morrow may be whey.

EVERY person is a mystic ambassador, but wholly outside of your control.

Every circumstance is a magic opportunity—partly under your control.

Every thought is á wonderful power, the control of which rests wholly with yourself.

AFTER a man has learned how to think, what he is depends largely on himself.

QUESTION. Why should I refrain from worry?

Ans. Because it is unscientific.

Ques. Why should I resist temptation?

Ans. Because evil takes you far from your true self.

Ques. Why should I not get angry?

Ans. Because anger creates a poison.

Ques. Why should I not find fault?

Ans. Thinking of faults is not thinking of the highest.

A CLEAR vision of what you are is but an obscure hint of what you may be.

SHADOWS fall only in the brightness.

WHILE deciding which, we might do both.

WHAT we are now is what we do next.

THE more intense the fear —the more sure its realization.

THE gifts of love and sympathy are great, and they grow greater as they are given away.

HOW to live
A Perfect Life

1. Love God.
2. Love Man.

IT requires energy, patience, perseverance, and toil to fit one to be a leader, but no other work is so sure to be twice paid—the good one gets from self-improvement, and the good one imparts to the world by showing this improvement to the world.

HOW may I be sure that I need this experience? Because of its happening.

PROMISE—
Prayer—
Praise.

IT is often difficult to concentrate on a desired subject, on account of the strong tendency to drift along in customary channels, but an effort of the will soon settles that.

LIFE is of the greatest value after it has been lived.

TRUTH is the spirit of all existence. The content of truth is love, beauty, faith, and goodness.

THE greatest minds are parts of all life and personality.

EVERY diamond sparkles
in one drop of dew;
All the world's reflected when
I look at you!
Who so rich as I,
With you near by?
Isn't all the world here, too?

WHO is the great man? He whose thought is great. Great thought-conceptions are followed by great execution. He is the man whose influence will outlive his fame.

LONELY?
Look.
Listen;
Love—
Live!

PREACH to the world—and should it choose it will listen. Teach by example—and even the deaf can see what they do not hear.

Your Fortune Teller.

YOUR fortune is not your worldly goods; nor is it your station in life—neither is it what you know, nor what you seem to be.

Tell me what you *want* to be, what you *want* to know, and for what you are *striving* with heart and soul—and I declare these, your ideals, to be your fortune.

HOW may we experience our higher ideals now, and for all time? By insisting on the sole occupancy of the right idea. Bind it with mental chains, and hold it until it fills the mind and leaves no room for anything else. Such concentration is a work of effort, and often demands great exercise of will. Practice constantly, holding some desired thought, keep it alive, nourish it, and watch the result which is infallible—the outward manifestation of the strong mental picture.

MIRACLES are all about: Look and listen!
How does the sun shine?
The dewdrop glisten?

How does the snowflake
Take such varied forms?
Whence winter cold that freezes,
And summer heat that warms?

Why does the daylight fade?
Where are earth's bars?
How does the dark night
Nail up the stars?

How hangs the rainbow in the sky?
What is the smallest clod?
Who are you and who am I?
Where is God?

A FEW moments each day is often the only difference between an educated and an ignorant man—because that few moments has been well-spent.

THE *silence* of good is louder than the *roar* of evil.

IF you believe that you can get something for nothing—Try it.

MOCKERY is blind in one eye, but flattery is blind in both.

SPIN out better conditions
as the spider spins its web.

FAITH in the cause, and
Fidelity in its prosecu-
tion, insures
Fortune in its development.

EVEN the glorious, blazing morn
Would not be bright,
Without its sombre background—
The darkness of the night.

MISFORTUNE is good fortune upside down—
the product of inverted thinking.

I THOUGHT that yesterday was dead,
But in to-day
I find its spirit working.
And know 'twill live alway.

WHAT *is* Impression,
was Suggestion;
and *will be* Expression.

THE more attentive a man is to his own business—the less attentive can he be to that of others.

DON'T go grumblingly about;
Turn the question inside out;
Stop your whining.
Let it thunder e'er so loud—
There was never any cloud
Which inside had not its proud
Silver lining.

OF Life and Death, and
Love and Hate,
And Joy and Sorrow, telling,
These, one by one, Mind conjures from
Their Worlds of Mental dwelling.

IN the perfect life there are no discontinued chapters, but every moment is a perfect whole.

EARTH'S brightest joys
are never those,
Which for itself the soul would
choose.

FROM the smooth and grassy plains of ignorance, a rough road leads to the pure, snow-white summits of knowledge.

How to banish fear.

REPEAT this sentence fifty times daily:

"God is Omnipresent Love, and I am under His watchful care."

WHILE you have strength, build your mind into a strong tower, into which you can go in times of trouble.

SHOW love to others—not because *they* are lovely, but because *you* want to reflect love.

WHERE is your thought?
What has it done?

THE mind is positive, creative, living. Man is most completely man when he thinks scientifically.

I AM sure that—
My own will come to me,
If I go out to meet it.

I am sure that—
Knowledge is power,
If I use it.

I am sure that—
The best things of life are free: sunlight, air, water, love, truth, and honor.
If I accept them.

WHO knows only good can never speak ill.

SPIRITUAL thought frees us from natural law by raising us above it.

THE light of kindness
shines so bright,
That in its world there is no
night.

GREATER than any mythological transformation is the metamorphosis of a man into a single action.

I GET what I want
because
I want what I get.

PROFESSOR PRACTICE is the greatest instructor in Life's University.

GROWTH—O Flower—
is thy looking-glass!
But action—O Man—is thine!

My Day-Song.

FILL the mind with righteous thoughts;
Fill the lips with songs of praise;
Fill the heart with love and joy,
And with trust, the hours and days.

WHAT others *do* say about you is their affair,—what they *should* say is yours.

THE past is gone.
The future is not yet come.
Now is all the time there is—
Now is eternity.

PRECISION—
Practice—
Power!

THE greatest and most lasting of all work—
Thinking righteousness.

THE content of thought is being.

THE man who has conquered himself has conquered all his enemies, and the whole world is at his feet.

ENVIRONMENT is what has been attracted.

POWER is everywhere, and it is yours in proportion to your realization and appropriation.

SCENE—Everywhere.
Time—Always.
Actors—Everybody.

—Voice—

"Ho ye! Ho ye! Ho ye! Hear all men! Banish all hate, that ye may live. Know, O Souls, that ye are taking into your hearts your worst enemy—hate, and this is of all man's destroyers most poisonous."

WHAT we are concerns us much more than what we do.

KNOWLEDGE is the magic light which scatters the shadows of ignorance. When this light shines on all the haunting spectres, we see the true principle permeating them—and fear no more.

GOODNESS means gladness, and the good will always be the glad.

AFTER the vision—Power.

CONSCIENCE is the most successful General in everyday battles.

ALL religions stand as representations of one idea.

ONE mental link unites with all the best that has been thought and said.

TRUTH is the fine principle of life.

IF only one person in the world had the power to do good, how all the rest of the world would envy him!

CONCENTRATE most on what you most desire.

STANDING on the street corner, two men were talking in an excited manner, while two angels looked interestedly on.

"Let us stop them," said the Angel of Speech, "they do not know what they are saying. Their voices become louder and louder as each tries to outtalk the other."

"No, by all means let them alone," said the Angel of Silence. "They will stop talking when they have tired themselves out, and—then they will think."

DESPAIR and discontent
Mean a life misspent.

DO not utter the word unless it be a song.

CONVERSATION turns upon what the mind rests.

CHARACTER shines brightest in adversity.

A WELL-TILLED mind is a field of prosperity.

WHY can we do one thing better than we can do another? Because we think we can.

EVIL is fallen—is fallen—because good has been exalted!

STUDY your own mind—and all else will be revealed to you.

EVERYTHING in the physical world is connected by gravitation; everything in the mental, by thought; and in the spiritual realm all is bound together by love.

THAT thought sometimes causes a change in appearance is generally admitted by all, but that all thought is always outwardly expressed is just beginning to be understood.

All thought is always outwardly expressed either in form or action. But the thought may be allowed to fade away, in which case it remains *the* thought no longer—and this may happen before any apparent change has taken place. Opposing thoughts must not be entertained. The dominant image held firmly, will never fail to out-picture itself.

There is no thought without expression.

WE are apt to forget that each thought has a tendency toward expression, and that since we do not drop all old emotions when we take up a new one, they all go on expressing together. Not only the present thought but all those which preceded it are clamoring for expression. There is an unconscious activity—the result of thoughts which have been entertained, and which have their influence also. Select one thought, let the others be neglected, and this idea will awaken not only

its own impulses, but also those of associated ideas, and all these forces set to work to out-picture the compelling, all-engrossing thought. Choose, affirm, carry out—this is the normal process. The old nature is strong and it is often necessary to exert great will-power to change it. But exert the will, choose the impelling idea, and so long as you bear this in mind, even *you* yourself can in no way prevent the effect.

THROUGH the door of the mind one enters the treasure-house of knowledge.

ATTENTION is one form of will. What we sometimes consider extremely slight attention is will in an elementary degree.

THE thing feared happens. What could more positively prove that an image strongly held will be out-pictured?

EVIL is blinded by the light of day.

THE key-note of thought is attention.

KEEP your mind on the central, significant fact —and see how the little details fall in line of their own accord.

THE test of religion is the life.

IT is impossible to emphasize too strongly the power of thought.

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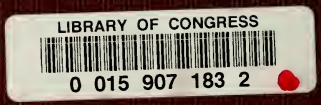
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